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# Christmas lighting contest winner for 2006 published

By Karen Krien

The Christmas Lighting Contest winners were announced at the drawing held Monday on St. Francis' Main Street.

The 2006 winners are Steve and Connie Jenkins, 304 W. Spencer, and Tom and Kathy Roelfs, 1 mile east of St. Francis on the old Wheeler Road. Honorable mention

goes to Raymond and Dorine Zimbelman, 218 E. Whittier, and David and Jacque Butler, 426 E. Washington.

Last year's winners were Roger

and Traci Neitzel and Hurb and Lola Graves. The winners are always the next year's judges. Because of the Graves' health, they elected their granddaughters,

Shawna Blanka and Sharissa Culwell to make their decision.

"It was hard to make a decision on the lighting winners," Mrs. Neitzel said. "There were so many

who should be mentioned."

Before the season is over, Mrs. Neitzel encourages everyone to take a ride to see all the beautiful lights.

## Travelers are reminded to be safe for holiday travel

The Kansas Department of Transportation encourages motorists to be prepared for their holiday travels.

The latest weather-related road conditions can be obtained by calling 511, the Kansas Advanced Traveler Information System. By calling 511 from anywhere in Kansas or 1-866-511-KDOT (5368) from anywhere in the U.S., travelers can get route-specific road conditions, construction detours, and

travel weather information for Interstate, U.S. and Kansas state highways, as well as Kansas Turnpike routes. Information is provided at all times and is free from a landline phone. For cellular phone users, cell minutes may apply, but no roaming fee should apply.

Road information can also be obtained by going to the KDOT Web site at <http://511.ksdot.org> or through Department's main Web site, <http://www.ksdot.org> under

"Road Conditions." A statewide map shows weather-related information on primary routes in the state.

On the road, motorist assistance is available by calling star four seven (\*47) on a cell phone for all Interstate, US or Kansas highway routes. For turnpike routes, call star five eight two (\*582) on your cell phone or 1-800-827-7453 from any phone.

## Book Review

Willow

A Promised Land Romance  
By Carolyn Brown

Willow Gail Dulan didn't like Rafe Pierce when he read her father's will. She sure didn't like him when he tried to talk Hank Gibson out of letting her and her four newly-found sisters travel to California with the wagon train of mail-order brides.

Rafe was totally against the idea of Jake Dulan's daughters going with the train. He would like nothing better than to leave Willow for the rattlesnakes and Indians. The feeling is mutual.

They lock horns and refuse to budge. Both have a scarred heart from previous experiences, and a temper, so the fireworks explode every time they're in each other's presence, which is often since Rafe

drew the short straw and has to bring up the rear of the train...right where the Dulan girls' wagon is located.

Willow and Rafe both realize that out there, beyond the sunsets they both love, lies the Promised Land. It's not a place or destination, but a spirit and a journey which draws them into the peace of its bosom to rock away the cares of life. But will they ever admit they need each other to reach that Promised Land?

Aquila

## Club Clips

### St. Francis Lions Club

A special Ladies Night of the St. Francis Lions Club was held at the Windmill Restaurant on Dec. 11. There were 17 members and eight guests present.

Clarence Iliff, president, led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and Marvin Zimbelman presented the invocation.

Milton Lampe will be taking a load of bicycles to Norton and will need help loading them.

Norman Morrow led the group in singing "Happy 91st Birthday" to a guest, Naomi Holliman.

Following the delicious meal, the group adjourned.

The next meeting will be held Jan. 8. Anyone wishing to join the club is welcome to attend.

### Pleasant Hill 4-H Club

The Pleasant Hill 4-H Club members went to the Good Samaritan Village to decorate the doors at 6:30 p.m. on Dec. 6. Then they continued the meeting at the Equity building.

The song was "Jingle Bells" sung by Reagon Beims and Jake Faulkender. Roll call was "what do you want for Christmas." There were 16 members present. The minutes were approved by the president, Laura Brunk.

New business was about the family fun night. A motion was carried that the members collect receipts from Saintry Super's to raise money for a donation. A presentation was given by Dillion Straub.

The game was "If You Love Me Honey Smile." Refreshments were served by the Grice family.

Christina Schoenrogge, reporter

### Tuesday Club

The Tuesday Club Christmas party was held Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. at Riverside dining room. Fifteen members enjoyed dinner in the beautifully decorated room. The tables were festive with red and green placemats and favors were

ceramic snowmen.

Following the meal, Marti Schlittenhardt lead the group in playing two games in which the names of Christmas carols were deciphered. Instead of a gift exchange, members exchanged "white elephants." The opportunity to select an article was decided by drawing cards, and stealing was allowed, which added to the fun.

The evening closed with the singing of familiar Christmas carols.

Hostesses for the event were Fleda Raile, Marti Schlittenhardt and Donna Zimbelman.

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